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TO AMEMBASSY RANGOON

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TAGS: SNAR, BM

SUBJECT: NARCOTICS

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1. DURING CONVERSATION APRIL 7, DAS OAKLEY REVIEWED  
CURRENT USG ATTITUDES ON ANTI-NARCOTICS COOPERATION WITH  
GUB AMB U TIN LATT. OAKLEY NOTED HE (AND EA ASST SECY  
HOLBROOKE) HAD MET EARLIER THAT DAY WITH CONG WOLFF TO  
DISCUSS A NUMBER OF MATTERS INCLUDING THE NARCOTICS PROGRAM  
IN BURMA. OAKLEY REVIEWED HIS UNDERSTANDING OF GUB ATTITUDES  
AND OUR CURRENT AND PLANNED ASSISTANCE LEVELS. HE ALSO DISCUSSED  
THE SUBSTANTIAL CONGRESSIONAL CONCERN WHICH HAS DEVELOPED OVER  
THE UTILITY AND END-USE OF US EQUIPMENT USED IN ANTI-NARCOTICS  
WORK AROUND THE WORLD -- PARTICULARLY, FOR EXAMPLE, IN CENTRAL  
AMERICA WHERE

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NARCOTICS PROBLEMS IN MEXICO, COLOMBIA AND PANAMA HAVE  
RECEIVED MUCH PUBLICITY. THIS INCREASES THE NEED FOR THE  
USG AND GUB TO COOPERATE IN ENSURING THAT US-EQUIPMENT IS  
BEING USED DEMONSTRABLY FOR THE PURPOSES PROVIDED AND NOT,  
AS IS SOMETIMES ALLEGED, FOR OPERATIONS AGAINST KAREN AND  
KACHIN VILLAGES. HE ALSO OUTLINED THE IMPORTANT ROLE OF  
DEA IN INTELLIGENCE COLLECTION AND TRANSMITTAL.

2. AMB U TIN LATT LISTENED ATTENTIVELY ASKING QUESTIONS AND STRESSING THE GUB POLICY AGAINST PERMANENT STATIONING OF FOREIGN POLICE AGENTS ON BURMESE SOIL. HOWEVER, DEA COULD VISIT "ONE HUNDRED TIMES PER YEAR IF IT WISHED." ON END-USE MONITORING, HE UNDERSTOOD US RATIONALE AND SEEMED TO BELIEVE MORE COULD BE DONE, BUT COMMENTED IT "... WOULD TAKE 100 RUDY HALL'S" IF ONE WISHED TO MONITOR THE FLIGHT OF EACH AIRCRAFT AND HELICOPTER.

3. MEETING ENDED WITH DAS OAKLEY NOTING THAT CONVERSATION WAS TO EMPHASIZE IMPORTANCE OF ISSUE TO USG PREPARATORY TO DISCUSSIONS THAT AMB BEAN WOULD BE HAVING SHORTLY IN RANGOON. FYI: GUB AMB STATED HE WAS CONSIDERING CALLING ON CONG WOLFF AT SOME POINT IN FUTURE TO DISCUSS THE PROBLEMS, AND WAS SEEKING APPROVAL FROM FONOFF OF INVITATION FOR WOLFF TO VISIT BURMA. END FYI. VANCE

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